

STATE OF NEBRASKA

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES Brian P. Dunnigan, P.E.

Director

June 2, 2010

IN REPLY TO:

Aaron M. Thompson, Area Manager U.S. Dept. of Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, Great Plains Region P.O. Box 1607 Grand Island, NE 68802-1607

RE: Reclamation's Request for Analysis and Data Related to the Proposed Integrated

Management Plans (IMP)

Dear Mr. Thompson:

I have received your request dated May 26, 2010. This letter requests an enormous amount of data "in preparation for the upcoming IMP hearings in June." My staff and I have met with Reclamation staff several times over the last year for presentations and discussions about the proposed IMP. However, given the scope of your request, the limited resources available within the Department, and the legal review required due to Kansas' filing with the United States Supreme Court, processing your request will require significantly more time than is available between now and the upcoming hearings on June 8 and June 10, 2010.

I will contact you again within 30 days to inform you of our progress in responding to this request. If you wish to modify your request please let me know as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Brian P. Dunnigan, P.E.

Director

cc: Justin D. Lavene, Esq.

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